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LETTER DATED 18 SEPTEMBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continue to violate Iraqi airspace, as follows:

1. On 16/17 September 1991, United States air activity inside Iraqi airspace amounted to 29 sorties flown by 12 two-aircraft formations and five single aircraft at speeds of 720 to 1,100 kilometres per hour and at altitudes ranging between 4,000 and 18,000 metres.

2. Air activity was concentrated over the areas of Dohuk, Zakho, Arbil, Mosul, Tall Afar, Rawanduz, Dukan and Amadiyah, for purposes of observation and provocation.

3. At 1755 hours local time, a helicopter was detected flying north of the town of Dohuk at a speed of 240 kilometres per hour.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative